

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20554

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OFFICE OF  
MANAGING DIRECTOR

Don H. Martin  
WSLM-AM  
P.O. Box 385  
Radio Ridge  
Salem, IN 47167

86-285

RE: Request for Review and Refund of  
Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 1997  
WSLM-AM  
Fee Control No. 9709228835181004  
Fee Paid \$1,200.00

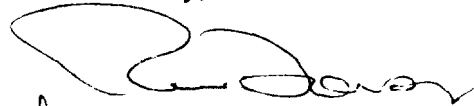
Dear Mr. Martin:

This is in response to your request for review and refund of regulatory fees for Fiscal Year (FY) 1997, filed on behalf of WSLM AM, Salem, Indiana (WSLM). Your request was filed with a payment of \$1,200.00, the regulatory fee established for WSLM for FY 1997.

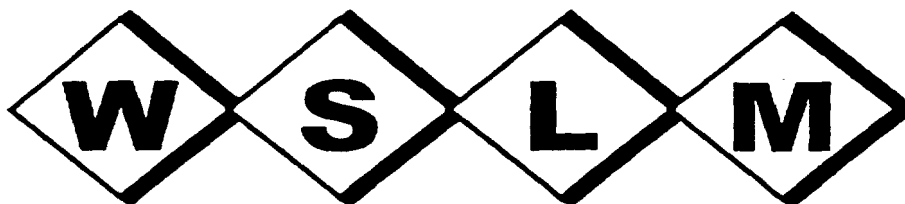
You argue in the request that the fee established for WSLM was in error because the population count listed for WSLM was 986,907, while you believe the correct figure should be 400,000. We requested a recalculation for WSLM, which determined that the correct population figure for WSLM was 68,341. Based on this recalculation, the FY 1997 regulatory fee for WSLM should have been \$200.00. Therefore, your request for refund is granted.

A check, made payable to the maker of the original payment, and drawn in the amount of \$1,000.00, will be sent to you at the earliest practicable time. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please call the Revenue & Receivables Operations Group at (202) 418-1995.

Sincerely,



Mark A. Reger  
Chief Financial Officer



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THE SWEETHEART OF SOUTHERN INDIANA

97.9 FM • 1220 AM

September 16, 1997

FCC  
Regulatory Fees  
P. O. Box 358835  
Pittsburg, PA 15251-5835

*Copy of  
Letter in 1997  
that the FCC never  
answered  
Don H. Martin  
Owner Gen-MGR*

Gentlemen:

After reading the FCC's basis for calculating radio regulatory fees for AM stations, I am convinced that radio station WSLM-AM, Salem, Indiana, is eligible for a refund of a portion of the \$1200 regulatory fee that was calculated for WSLM-AM radio.

I am sending in a check for the amount that was calculated, hoping there will be a refund when it is accurately calculated again.

WSLM is a non-metro radio station, located in south-central Indiana covering several small towns and cities, rural areas, farm land, and no large cities.

The FCC calculated WSLM population to be 986,907. Our calculations came to less than one-half that amount.

By adding the population of county by county within the WSLM 0.5 MV/M contour, our calculation is approximately 400,000.

I would appreciate it if your engineers would re-calculate WSLM-AM's population once again to see if a refund is in order.

Thanks,

Sincerely yours,

*Don H. Martin - 9/24/97*  
Don H. Martin, Owner  
WSLM-AM, Salem, IN  
*PHONE (512) 553-5750*  
*FAX (512) 553-2797*

DHM/jms

## AM & FM Radio Station Fees Search Page

☐ Call Sign ☐ State ☐ City

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### Search Results

*Dated 1997*

	Call Sign	Service	Location	Class	Population	Fee
<i>WRONG</i>	WSLM	AM	SALEM, IN	D	986,907	\$1,200
<i>OK</i>	WSLM-FM	FM	SALEM, IN	A	28,757	\$400

*Pd. by WSLM check*  
*IT SHOULD BE LESS THAN*  
*the fee - Pop. is*  
*112,400,000*  
*Don't know*

### How to use the Mass Media Bureau Fees Search Page.

1. Click in the related radio button.
  2. Type your Call Sign, State, or City in the text box.
  3. Click the SUBMIT button.
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From *Clara*  
Phone



## ROUTING AND TRANSMITTAL SLIP

Date

10/26/99

TO: (Name, office symbol, room number,  
building, Agency/Post)

Initials

Date

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Donna Viek

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Re: Fee Cont # 9709228835181 004

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	Coordination	Justify	

## REMARKS

This is a refund request. If approved, please fill out Form A-462 Two-Way.

Return By 11/9/99

DO NOT use this form as a RECORD of approvals,concurrences,disposals  
clearances, and similar actions

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Diane Douglas

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418-1983

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